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17 (amended). In the method of playing a Poker game on a gaming machine that stores signal representations of images of fifty two cards of a standard deck of cards, comprising the steps of:

giving a player an option of making a payment representative of a three card wager, a five card wager and a seven card wager;

causing a video screen of the gaming machine to provide an image of each of seven cards that are face down;

said player causing said video screen to replace three of said face down images with images of three cards that are face up, thereby providing an image of a three card Stud Poker hand, face up and images of four cards that are face down;

making a three card payout to said player based upon a rank of said three card hand, thereby settling said three card wager;

said player causing images of two of said four face down cards to be replaced by images of two cards that are face up, thereby providing an image of a five card Stud Poker hand and images of two cards that are face down;

making a five card payout to said player based upon a rank of said five card hand, thereby settling said five card wager;

said player causing images of said two face down cards to be replaced by images of two cards that are face up, thereby providing images of seven cards face up that form a seven card hand; and

making a seven card payout to said player based upon a rank of five cards of said seven card hand.

REASON FOR CHANGE TO CLAIM 17

A line from a previous claim was inadvertently included.